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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If the period for reply specified above is less than thirty (30) days, a reply within the statutory minimum of thirty (30) days will be considered timely.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 10 February 2005.
 2a) This action is FINAL. 2b) This action is non-final.
 3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

4) Claim(s) 1-11 is/are pending in the application.
 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
 5) Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
 6) Claim(s) 1-11 is/are rejected.
 7) Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
 8) Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
 10) The drawing(s) filed on 10 February 2005 is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.
 Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
 Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 a) All b) Some * c) None of:
 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

1) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
 2) Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
 3) Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
 Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____.
 4) Interview Summary (PTO-413)
 Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____.
 5) Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
 6) Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. Applicant's amendment filed on February 10, 2005 has been entered. Claims 1-10 have been amended. No claims have been cancelled. Claim 11 has been added. Claims 1-11 are now pending in this application, with claims 1, 8, and 11 being independent.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

2. The text of those sections of Title 35, U.S. Code not included in this action can be found in a prior Office action.

3. Claims 1-10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Lev et al (US 5,608,779).

4. In regards to claims 1 and 11, Lev discloses a method for transmitting voice information through a mobile radio network (Fig. 2 and communication system 100), the method comprising the steps of: converting the voice information, dependent on an event, in the mobile radio network into a transcoded format (See Abstract); processing the voice information to incorporate event into voice information data (col. 1 lines 15-27, col. 5 lines 13-26, col. 5 lines 44-55, and col. 6 lines 18-30); converting the voice information into a non-transcoded format; and transmitting the voice information in the non-transcoded format (col. 3 lines 45-62 and col. 5 lines 13-43).

5. In regards to claims 2 and 10, Lev discloses a method for transmitting voice information through a mobile radio network, wherein the event is an intended importing of one of announcements, tones, and other information into a conversation represented by the transmitted voice information, wherein the step of processing includes importing the one of announcements, tones, and other of information into the conversation by a mixing device (conference bridge), and wherein the step of transmitting includes transmission in a core network of the mobile radio network (col. 6 lines 18-25, col. 10-11 lines 64-22, and col. 7-8 lines 54-7).

6. In regards to claims 3 and 4, Lev discloses a method for transmitting voice information through a mobile radio network, wherein the event is one of an intended handover in the mobile radio network, and an intended handover to another mobile radio network (col. 10 lines 29-57).

7. In regards to claims 5 and 7, Lev discloses a method for transmitting voice information through a mobile radio network, wherein the step of transmitting occurs from a radio network controller (first site controller 206) to one of another radio network controller (second site controller 207) of the mobile radio network and a gateway into another network (col. 10 lines 14-28).

8. In regards to claim 6, Lev discloses a method for transmitting voice information through a mobile radio network, wherein the conversions are initiated by a feeding device in a media gateway of the mobile radio network (col. 4 lines 11-28 and col. 5 lines 27-55).

9. In regards to claims 8 and 9, Lev discloses an apparatus for transmitting voice information through a mobile radio network, comprising: a conversion device (transcoder 221); a part for processing; and a transmission part; wherein the voice information, dependent on an event, is converted via the conversion device into a transcoded format, is further processed via the part for processing, is again converted in the conversion device into a non-transcoded format (col. 3 lines 45-62 and col. 5 lines 13-43), and is transmitted by the transmission part, in the non-transcoded format, via an interface to one of another media gateway and switch (second switching center 202) (col. 10 lines 14-28).

Response to Arguments

10. Applicant's arguments filed 02/10/05 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive. Applicants argue that Lev does not teach "converting the voice information, dependent on an event, in the mobile radio network into a transcoded format; processing the voice information further to incorporate the event into voice information data; and converting the voice information into a non-transcoded format." Examiner respectfully disagrees with this argument. Lev does disclose converting the voice information, dependent on an event, in the mobile radio network (See Fig. 2 and communication system 100) into a transcoded format (See Abstract); processing the voice information further to incorporate the event into voice information data (See col. 1 lines 15-27, col. 5 lines 13-26, col. 5 lines 44-55, and col. 6 lines 18-30); and converting

the voice information into a non-transcoded format (See col. 3 lines 45-62 and col. 5 lines 13-43).

Conclusion

11. **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL.** Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

12. A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

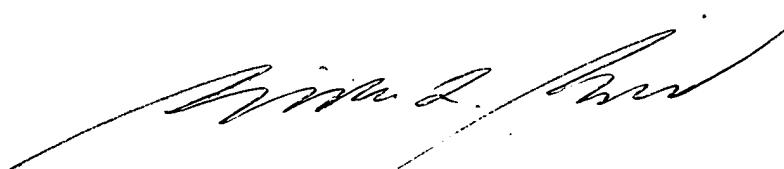
13. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Thjuan P. Knowlin whose telephone number is (571) 272-7486. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Fri 8:30-5:00pm.

14. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ahmad Matar can be reached on (571) 272-7488. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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15. Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see <http://pair-direct.uspto.gov>. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free).

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